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## Obama Administration Announces Additional \$37,157,700 for Local Energy Efficiency Improvements in Wisconsin

Block Grants to Support Jobs, Cut Energy Bills, and Increase Energy Independence

**WASHINGTON** – Vice President Joe Biden and Energy Secretary Steven Chu today announced plans to invest \$3.2 billion in energy efficiency and conservation projects in U.S. cities, counties, states, territories, and Native American tribes. This includes \$37,157,700 for state, county and city efforts in Wisconsin. A detailed breakdown is below.

Today's announcement builds on an investment of \$196,990,133 in Wisconsin weatherization and energy funding announced by the Administration on March 12<sup>th</sup> and detailed at <u>energy.gov/recovery</u>.

"These investments will save taxpayer dollars and create jobs in communities around the country," said Vice President Biden. "Local leaders will have the flexibility in how they put these resources to work – but we will hold them accountable for making the investments quickly and wisely to spur the local economy and cut energy use."

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program, funded by President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, will provide formula grants for projects that reduce total energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency.

The funding will support energy audits and energy efficiency retrofits in residential and commercial buildings, the development and implementation of advanced building codes and inspections, and the creation of financial incentive programs for energy efficiency improvements. Other activities eligible for use of grant funds include transportation programs that conserve energy, projects to reduce and capture methane and other greenhouse gas emissions from landfills, renewable energy installations on

government buildings, energy efficient traffic signals and street lights, deployment of Combined Heat and Power and district heating and cooling systems, and others.

To ensure accountability, the Department of Energy will provide guidance to and require grant recipients to report on the number of jobs created or retained, energy saved, renewable energy capacity installed, greenhouse gas emissions reduced, and funds leveraged. Funding is based on a formula that accounts for population and energy use.

"The Block Grants are a major investment in energy solutions that will strengthen America's economy and create jobs at the local level," said Secretary Chu. "The funding will be used for the cheapest, cleanest and most reliable energy technologies we have – energy efficiency and conservation – which can be deployed immediately. The grants also empower local communities to make strategic investments to meet the nation's long term clean energy and climate goals."

Funding for state, city, and county governments in the state includes:

WI	Wisconsin Total Sum City, County, and SEO Allocations	All	\$37,157,700
WI	Wisconsin	State Energy Office	\$11,743,000
WI	Appleton	City	\$689,800
WI	Beloit	City	\$157,500
WI	Brookfield	City	\$191,600
WI	Eau Claire	City	\$655,700
WI	Fond du Lac	City	\$187,500
WI	Franklin	City	\$142,800
WI	Green Bay	City	\$1,003,000
WI	Greenfield	City	\$145,800
WI	Janesville	City	\$618,500
WI	Kenosha	City	\$902,500
WI	La Crosse	City	\$542,100
WI	Madison	City	\$2,384,600
WI	Milwaukee	City	\$5,839,100
WI	New Berlin	City	\$166,400
WI	Oshkosh	City	\$634,100
WI	Racine	City	\$795,000
WI	Sheboygan	City	\$209,300
WI	Waukesha	City	\$657,400
WI	Wausau	City	\$183,900
WI	Wauwatosa	City	\$220,000
WI	West Allis	City	\$576,200
WI	Brown	County	\$612,000
WI	Dane	County	\$2,267,000
WI	Marathon	County	\$374,000
WI	Milwaukee	County	\$732,400
WI	Outagamie	County	\$492,300

WI	Racine	County	\$457,500
WI	Walworth	County	\$420,700
WI	Washington	County	\$524,400
WI	Waukesha	County	\$2,217,900
WI	Winnebago	County	\$413,700

In addition, today's announcement includes funding for the following Tribal governments in the state:

	Name	Allocation
WI	Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin	\$89,200
WI	Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin	\$53,900
WI	Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin	\$392,200
WI	Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin	\$115,200
WI	Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the Lac du Flambeau Reservation of Wisconsin	\$92,000
WI	Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin	\$131,900
WI	Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin	\$324,700
WI	Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin	\$55,900
WI	Sokaogon Chippewa Community, Wisconsin	\$34,300
WI	St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin	\$42,900
WI	Stockbridge Munsee Community, Wisconsin	\$50,500

(NOTE: If a Tribal government spans more than one state, the number above reflects the allocation for the Tribal government as a whole.)

More information on the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program is available on <a href="http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block\_grants.cfm">http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block\_grants.cfm</a>.